

very important, about our resolve to see that North Koreans live with the agreement and that we not backpedal in any way on our commitment that there be a North-South dialog and that we not permit the North Koreans to divide the Republic of Korea, South Korea, and the United States.

Mr. KIM. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of House Joint Resolution 83, the resolution relating to the United States-North Korea Agreed Framework. As the only Korean-American in Congress, I am proud to have sponsored this measure with Asia Subcommittee chairman DOUG BEREUTER.

In October 1994, when the administration first unveiled the United States-North Korea Agreed Framework, many praised it as the beginning of the end to a perilous nuclear crisis in the Pacific rim. Unfortunately, I did not share that same optimism. In fact, I felt that the agreed framework was yet another effort to appease North Korea at the expense of the national security interests of both the United States and our ally, the Republic of Korea. It looked to me like the United States was obligated to give more than it received in return.

In that regard, I was pleased to help sponsor House Joint Resolution 83 because it defines the specific direction which the administration must follow in its dealings with North Korea, rather than allowing that direction to be dictated by the leadership in Pyongyang. Most important of all is the stipulation that a North-South dialog be of the highest priority to ensure a reduction in the hostilities between the two governments in the hopes of long-term peace on the peninsula.

I think it is important that this Congress, and this administration, send a clear message to North Korea by setting forth a blueprint of what we will accept as positive progress. And, with House Joint Resolution 83 we make it clear that without such progress, we will not provide North Korea with the economic and political benefits they want. Therefore, I ask all of my colleagues to support the immediate passage of House Joint Resolution 83 so that we set a clear plan of action with respect to North Korea.

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I commend the distinguished chairman of our subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, Mr. BEREUTER, for bringing this resolution before the House. I also commend the distinguished ranking member of the subcommittee, Mr. BERMAN, for his helpful contributions.

The substance of the resolution has, of course, already passed the House as part of H.R. 1561, the American Overseas Interests Act, and so I expect it to receive broad bipartisan support today.

The resolution serves two useful purposes. First, it articulates the views of the Congress with respect to the October 21, 1994, agreed framework between the United States and North Korea under which North Korea is to suspend and then dismantle its nuclear program in exchange for deliveries of heavy fuel oil and construction in North Korea of two 1,000 megawatt light water nuclear reactors.

The resolution does not criticize or reject the agreed framework, but it does sound several cautionary notes about implementation of the agreement. In particular, it urges that the agreed framework be implemented in a manner consistent with United States interests; that South Korea have a central role in imple-

menting the agreed framework; and that the United States not take further steps to normalize our relations with North Korea until North Korea improves its behavior in other areas of concern to us, such as implementing the North-South Joint Declaration on the Denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula, curtailing ballistic missile exports, and reducing tensions along the DMZ.

The second purpose of the resolution is to ensure that all United States foreign assistance that is provided to North Korea or the Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization pursuant to the agreed framework is provided under the same terms and conditions that govern all other United States foreign assistance. This is necessary because the administration has already on two occasions sought to deliver assistance to North Korea from funds not subject to the terms and conditions of the Foreign Assistance Act—in one case from Defense Department funds, and in the other from Energy Department funds.

House Joint Resolution 83 will make an important contribution to the Congress' ability to oversee implementation of the agreed framework, and I urge its adoption.

Mr. BEREUTER. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time.

Mr. HAMILTON. Mr. Speaker, I, too, have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. BEREUTER. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Nebraska [Mr. BEREUTER] that the House suspend the rules and pass the joint resolution, House Joint Resolution 83, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended, and the joint resolution, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. BEREUTER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks on the joint resolution just passed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Nebraska?

There was no objection.

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#### MEDAGOGUES

(Mr. GOSS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, it is not only House Republicans that are questioning the barrage of scare tactics on Medicare that are being presented by the Democrats and certain of their special interest associates. Last week's Washington Post editorial entitled "Medagogues" puts the entire Medicare debate into perspective by comparing the two parties on this critical issue.

Mr. Speaker, as you may be able to see from this copy, the Post finds the Republican plan to be credible, gutsy, and, in some respects, inventive. It addresses a genuine problem that is only going to get worse, as we all know. What the Democrats have, instead, is a lot of expostulation, TV ads, and scare talk, so says the Washington Post.

The Post is not generally given to commenting so harshly about Democrats. The Post goes on to wonder about how the Democrats propose to finance Medicare without real structural change. They conclude that they are listening in vain for a real response from the Democrats.

Mr. Speaker, I join with the Post to call on my Democratic colleagues to abandon the politics of fear and join us in saving Medicare for current and future beneficiaries. The country needs it and we can do it.

#### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. CLINGER). Pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until 3 p.m.

Accordingly (at 1 o'clock p.m.), the House stood in recess until 3 p.m.

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#### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. FOLEY) at 3 p.m.

#### RYAN WHITE CARE ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1995

Mr. BILIRAKIS. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1872) to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend programs established pursuant to the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency Act of 1990, as amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 1872

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Ryan White CARE Act Amendments of 1995".

#### SEC. 2. REFERENCES.

Whenever in this Act an amendment is expressed in terms of an amendment to a section or other provision, the reference shall be considered to be made to that section or other provision of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 201 et seq.).

#### TITLE I—EMERGENCY RELIEF FOR AREAS WITH SUBSTANTIAL NEED FOR SERVICES

#### SEC. 101. ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM OF GRANTS.

(a) NUMBER OF CASES; DELAYED APPLICABILITY.—Effective October 1, 1996, section 2601(a) (42 U.S.C. 300ff-11) is amended—

(1) by striking "subject to subsection (b)" and inserting "subject to subsections (b) through (d)"; and

(2) by striking "metropolitan area" and all that follows and inserting the following: